RAJYA SABHA

Tuesday, the 20th December, 1988/ 29th *Agrahavana,* 1910 *(Saka)*

The House met at eleven of the clock, Mr. Chairman in the Chair.

OBITUARY REFERENCE

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon'ble Members, before we take up today's agenda, I refer with sorrow t_0 the passing away of Shri Umashankar Jetha-lal Joshi, a noted Gujarati poet and littevaieur, who was a nominated Member of this House from April 1970 to April 1976.

Shri Umashankar Joshi, $_W$as born at Bamna in Sabarkantha district of Gujarat in July 1911 and had his education at Ahmedabad and Bombay. An eminent educationist be started his career as a teacher and rose to the position of Vice-Chancello$_r$ of the Gujarat University, in which capacity lie served from 1966 to 1972. Shri Joshi made significant contribution towards the cause of Gujarati and Sanskrit languages, and had a large number of publications to this credit. His writings revealed a sharp intellect, clear vision and courage of conviction. Shri Joshi was imprisoned twice for taking part in the national movement. Recipient of many awards, including the Sahitya Akademi and Jnanpith Awards, Shri Joshi served as a member and Chairman of the Sahi.tya Akademi.

On account of his meritorious services in the field of literature. Shri Joshi was nominated to the Raiya Sabha in April, 1970.

Wo deeply mourn the passing away of Shri Umashankar Joshi.

I request members to rise in their places and observe silence as a mark of resnect to the memory of the departed.

'(Hon. Members then stood in silence for one *minute)*

ME. CHAIRMAN: Secretary-General will convey to the members; of the bereaved family our sense of profound sorrow and deep sympathy.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

Correcting the reply given in *the* Rajya Sabha on the 6th December, 1988 to unstarred Question 3098 regarding representations against selection by PESD

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS' (SHRI M. M. JACOB): Sir, on behalf of Shri P. Chidambaram, I beg to lay on the Table a Statement correcting the reply given in the Rajya Sabha on December 6, 1988, to Unstarred Question No. 3098 regarding representations against selection by P.E.S.D. [Placed in Library, *See* No. LT-7206/88]

PAPERS LAID AN THE TABLE

I. Report (1987.88) of the Bal Bha-van Society India, New Delhi and related papers.

H. Accounts (1987-88) of Bal Bha-van Society India, New Delhi and related papers.

DI Report and Auditted Accounts (1987-88) of the Technical Teachers' Training Institute (Western Region), Bhopal and related papers.

IV. Report [a]nd Accounts (1987 88) of the Board of Apprenticeship Training (Northern Region), Kaapur and related papers.

V. Report (1987-88) of the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay and related papers.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OP EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHA-HI): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table